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COMMENT

Meeting Attended:

Walsenburg Scoping Meeting

Important Issues:

Land Use (Agriculture, Residential, Recreation), Radio or Television Interference, Noise, Project Purpose and Need, Visual / Aesthetic Resources, Proximity to Residences

Property Uses: Residential

Comment:

I-181-001

In the event that a need for the project is shown, these comments address the possible routing of the Calumet-SLV line, in particular, the portion that may cross Majors Ranch land (proposed alignments

We recommend that these alignments be dropped, for the following reason: There are a large number of lots already occupied, largely by retired yuppies with money and a strong distaste for having their backyards molested. They *won't* sign easements, and the use of eminent domain will certainly lead to court intervention and even more bad publicity.

Proposed alignment 64, on the other hand, follows an existing powerline route, and taking it to connect with alignment 60 further avoids populated lands.

Additionally--looking to the future--the area north of Calumet is being proposed for wind power development. The proximity of power lines to those areas, rather than Major Ranch residences, makes great good sense.

Note: We live on CR 524, in Majors Ranch, so we're not exactly disinterested bystanders.

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I-181-001: Route Refinement > SLV-Calumet (In Review)

Your email/letter/comment form has been received and your comment noted. Route refinement for the proposed project and mitigation measures will be addressed in the Environmental Impact Statement. The Environmental Impact Statement is anticipated to be completed in late 2010 and will be available at http://www.usda.gov/rus/water/ees/ea.htm.